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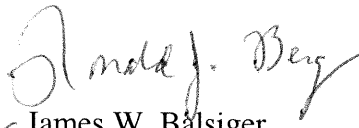
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Mr. Kevin Duffy, Commissioner
Alaska Department of Fish and Game
P.O. Box 25526
Juneau, AK 99802

Dear Mr. Duffy:

I would like to thank you and the ADF&G staff at the Mark, Tag and Age Lab for the excellent tour provided to members of the U.S. and Chilean delegations on July 29, 2004. The detailed, behind the scenes, operational tour of the lab was much appreciated by members of the delegations. Thank you for welcoming the delegations to the lab and for helping to make the Seventh Session of the United States - Chile Fishery Cooperation Talks a success. I appreciate your efforts.

Sincerely,


For James W. Balsiger
Administrator Alaska Region

cc: Cindy Hartmann
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